

REMARKS

Claims 1-57 are pending in the above-identified application. Claims 1-57 were rejected. With this Amendment, claims 1-4, 6, 8-9, 18-19, 30, 35, 41-42, 48-50, and 57 were amended and claims 39-40 were cancelled. Accordingly, claims 1-38 and 41-57 are at issue in the above-identified application.

35 U.S.C. § 112 Indefiniteness Rejection of Claims

Claims 1-57 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph, as being indefinite for failing to particularly point out and distinctly claim the subject matter which applicants regard as the invention. Applicants respectfully traverse this rejection in light of amendments made to the claims.

35 U.S.C. § 102 Anticipation Rejection of Claims

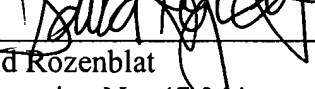
Claims 1-6, 9-12, and 39-40 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b) as being anticipated by *Frenger* (U.S. Patent No. 4,220,016). *Frenger* discloses jewelry which can be worn attached to the skin of a wearer, which in one embodiment changes color in response to the amount of body heat transferred from the wearer. Claim 1 recites an information receiving/display apparatus configured to receive and present information comprising an *information display plane*, wherein the information display plane *presents information which is proximately discernable* with a proximately discernable sense, *and* wherein the information display plane *presents information which is remotely discernable* with a remotely discernable sense. *Frenger* does not present information that is *proximately discernable*, but rather, discloses a piece of jewelry that changes color in response to body heat. Accordingly, Applicants submit that the claimed invention is not anticipated by nor obvious over the applied reference. Withdrawal of these grounds of rejection is respectfully requested.

Claims 1-3, 5, 9, 11, 13, 14, and 39-40 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b) as being anticipated by *Tremblay et al.* (U.S. Patent No. 6,088,017). *Tremblay et al.* discloses a man-machine interface which provides tactile feedback to various sensing body parts. The device employs one or more vibrotactile units, where each unit comprises a mass and a mass-moving actuator. The vibrotactile units are mounted on, or in functional relation to, a sensing body part of a user by a fastening means. (See *Tremblay et al.*, Col. 2, lines 24-41) Claim 1 recites an information receiving/display apparatus configured to receive and present information comprising an *information display plane*, wherein the information display plane *presents information which is proximately discernable* with a proximately discernable sense, *and* wherein the information display plane *presents information which is remotely discernable* with a remotely discernable sense. While *Tremblay et al.* teaches mounting a vibrotactile unit on a *body part*, *Tremblay et al.* does not teach an information display which is capable of presenting information which is *proximately discernable* and information which is *remotely discernable*. Accordingly, Applicants submit that the claimed invention is not anticipated by nor obvious over the applied reference. Withdrawal of these grounds of rejection is respectfully requested.

In view of the foregoing, Applicant submits that the application is in condition for allowance. Notice to that effect is requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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